

From Our Own Correspondent.

**TURIN, Aug. 4, 1860**

THE PAPER TAX—THE EMPEROR'S LETTER.

LONDON Aug. 7, 1860.

*FROM MEXICO.*

The United States sloop-of-war Pocahontas, Capt.

"A considerable proportion of the wheat is only (this 4th August) just off the blooming, which, now that the nights are lengthening and getting colder, will require at least six weeks to bring it to maturity, even if the weather prove favorable from

Farmers in the Western States are now not without apprehensions as to the safety of corn. "In Portage County, Ohio," says *The Ohio Farmer*, "some fields

of corn between Andorra and Mantua were entirely  
lost by forest and one of our own correspondents

We are of those who believe that Winter-killing of heat is not so much "an inscrutable Providence" as evidence of bad farming. Put good tile drains in a heavy clay soil, and the risk of Winter-killing is very essentially diminished.

the family of Polly Stevens—formerly known as Polly Curtess—comprising 111 members, 96 of whom

After partaking of the plentiful variety furnished for the occasion, a suitable prayer was offered by the Rev. D. Littlewood, of the M. E. Church, in the place, and a brief address delivered by the Rev. S. W. Clark, of the Congregational Church, North Stamford. A

About 12 o'clock on Monday night, a fire broke out in a small frame-building, rear of No. 258 West thirty-ninth street, occupied by John Yager and George Smith, whose furniture was damaged to the amount of \$500. No insurance. The fire extended to the adjoining building in the rear of No. 256, owned by Joseph Beach, and occupied by several poor families. Damage \$300. The building is insured for \$400 in the Star Insurance Co. The origin of the fire is unknown. The families occupying No. 256 lost nearly all of their furniture.

## THE DANGER OF THROWING THE ELECTION OF PRESIDENT INTO CONGRESS.

SPEECH OF DAVID DUDLEY FIELD,

in the writings of Washington and Jefferson." "A sober earnest, the Republican party is at this present the conservative party of the country. All other parties, or fragments of parties, are a disadvantage some new dogma unknown to the fathers and their statesmen, or their candidates are committed to a hereby repugnant to the doctrines of our Revolutionary age. I could reach the ears of our Southern brethren

be preferred. To reject, therefore, Mr. Lincoln if he should have less than an absolute majority, and put him one who has less than he, would oppose the same practice and offend the sense of justice of our people. *Second:* If there be danger in the election of one who has not the strongest hold upon the people, there is even greater danger from the struggle in the case of Representatives.

We cannot shut our eyes to the constitution of that body, to the lack of self-command which many of its members have already shown, to the passions by which they are so easily inflamed, to the threats and

Mr. George Mason contended that "this mode of election was a mere deception—a mere *ignis fatuus* on the American people, and thrown out to make them believe that they were to choose him; whereas it would not be once out of fifty times that he would be chosen by them in the first instance, because a majority of the whole number of votes was required. If the localities of the States were considered, and the probable diversity of the opinions of the people

Some of the scenes, as they appear in the histories and correspondence of the time, it may be useful now to recall.